

Agenda Item Number: 2005-5-8A

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: May 24, 2005

Department: Parks and Recreation **Staff Contact**: Joanne Caffrey, Director

Julie M. Baca, Deputy County Manager for

Community Services

TITLE: Los Padillas Aquatic Center Dedication

ACTION: Motion to:

1. Dedicate the new Los Padillas Aquatic Center in honor of State Representative Henry "Kiki" Saavedra.

2. Approve one (1) full time groundskeeper position for the maintenance of the Los Padillas Aquatics Center and other South Valley park properties.

SUMMARY:

Staff requests Board approval to dedicate the Los Padillas Aquatics Center in honor of State Representative Henry "Kiki" Saavedra. This new state-of-the-art outdoor aquatic facility includes a zero-depth wading pool, lap pool, water slide and water features. The pool will open seasonally from May through August.

Representative Saavedra and former Senator Manny Aragon were instrumental in successfully appropriating over \$1.4 in State Legislative funds from 1998 to 2004 to construct the center. Total construction cost was \$1.8 million with the additional funding from County GO Bonds and Environmental Services Gross Receipts Tax (ESGRT). ESGRT was used to design a water reuse system for irrigation of future landscaping improvements.

Annual salaries and operating costs for the new Los Padillas Aquatic Center are projected at \$69,074 of which approximately \$42,700 will fund seasonal employees and \$26,374 for equipment, supplies and operations. Staff also requests approval of one (1) full time grounds maintenance position to maintain the aquatic center and other South Valley park properties. Funding for this position in the amount of \$25,410 will be included in the FY06 budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the staff /operations costs are available within the FY06 budget. Revenues generated by the pool (daily admissions, swim lessons, rentals) are projected at \$24,000 for the summer season.

STAFF ANALYSIS SUMMARY

COUNTY MANAGER

State Representative Saavedra along with former Senator Manny Aragon were instrumental in securing over \$1.4 million for the Los Padillas Aquatic Center. This is a state-of-the-art swimming facility that will be heavily utilized by the community. This facility however, will require an annual operating budget for maintenance and operation. Staff would also like to dedicate this facility to Representative Saavedra for his commitment to providing quality facilities for the South Valley. I recommend Board approval. TL 05/19/2005

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

The dedication of the new Los Padillas pool in honor of State Representative Saavedra would extend the County's sincere appreciation to the Representative for his continuous support of legislative funding throughout the years for this important community project. Approval of the full-time position by the Board for the operation and maintenance of the new pool, and other park properties, would ensure the upkeep and safety of the pool on an annual basis prior to its use by the public. Recommend Board approval. Julie M. Baca 5/11/05

LEGAL

This is the appropriate procedure to dedicate a County facility and approve one full-time position. TDC 5/11/05

FINANCE

Budget Approval of this agenda item will allow the County to hire one full

time groundskeeper to maintain the Los Padillas Pool and other parks properties. It will also allow the County to operate and staff the pool during the summer months. Funding for staff/operational costs is available within the FY06 budget to be effective July 1, 2005.

Priscilla L. Gutierrez, Budget Analyst Sr. 5/10/2005

Purchasing No comment required. Billie Baca, Senior Buyer 05/09/2005

Contracts No comment required. Billie Baca, Senior Buyer 05/09/2005

Risk Management No comment required. David Baca, Risk Management Administrator

05/09/2005